

1. Listening (attached to *ekool*). You will hear Sally talking on a radio programme about some hiking trips she runs. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B or C.

1 How many young people take part in each trip?

A 14 to 19

B not more than 15

C always about 10

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4 The teens particularly enjoy

A all of the afternoon activities.

B the water sports that Sally organises.

C activities they haven't tried before.

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2 What kind of accommodation do the teens stay in?

A tents

B a youth hostel

C different kinds of accommodation

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5 Sally advises interested listeners to

A call her for a booking form.

B book their trip as soon as possible.

C find out more information.

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3 Parents like the trips because their children

A develop a love of the outdoors.

B get a lot of exercise.

C learn a lot.

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2. Fill in the correct word. There are some extra words that you don't need.

A: *sunshine, hail, breeze, sleet, light, blizzards, chilly, gales, sunny, showers.*

Highlands of Scotland

In the far north of Scotland, temperatures will be around -5°C , so wrap up warm and watch out for snow **1)** Further south, temperatures will be higher, so it won't be quite cold enough for snow, but there could still be some rain or **2)** around. In the evening, the wind will start to blow and there could be some strong **3)** by night time.

West coast of Wales

The area experienced some **4)** storms yesterday, which caused a lot of damage, including cracking car windscreens. But you'll be pleased to know that the weather forecast for today is much better. There will be a few **5)** around, so take your umbrellas with you, but there'll be plenty of **6)** spells too.

B: *heavy, freezing, research, extreme, boiling, survival, extinct, cosy.*

1 The university offers the chance to spend 6 months at a station in Antarctica in order to study the penguins that live there.

2 The weather in Jordan was hot – on the last day of our holiday the temperature reached 51°C !

3 The woolly mammoth is a(n) species – the last ones died about 4,000 years ago.

4 The Sahara desert experiences temperatures, from below 0°C at night to over 50°C in the daytime.

5 It was cold in Alaska! I had never seen so much snow before!

C: *protective, smoking, elastic, world, hot, icy, webbed, inflatable, ironing, metal*

1 The ground was frozen and Leah slipped and fell on the track.

2 You have to sit in a(n) armchair to go river bugging, but you won't be able to relax!

3 James wears boots with spikes on them when he goes ice climbing, because they help him to climb the walls of ice.

4 If you go volcano surfing, you will need to wear clothing to stop the hot ash from harming you.

5 Let me give you a tip – sitting on your surf board makes you go faster.

3. Choose the correct word.

- 1 If the ice sheets of Greenland and Antarctica ever **heat up/melt** completely, sea levels will rise by about 60 m.
- 2 When we burn fossil fuels, the gas they produce **traps/surrounds** the Earth like a thick blanket.
- 3 In Rome, temperatures hardly ever **drop/rise** below zero in the winter.
- 4 We can cycle or walk to school if we want to help **reduce/vanish** the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
- 5 It took Emily some time to **adjust/adapt** to life in another country.
- 6 We need to save the Siberian tiger. It is one of the most **extinct/endangered** species.
- 7 In the Antarctic the sun doesn't **raise/rise** at all in the winter.
- 8 These days, we never know what to expect with the weather. It's so **incredible/ unpredictable**.
- 9 The bomb was set to go **off/up** at 8:00, but the police managed to stop it.
- 10 Maria helps to look **for/after** her great-grandmother by doing her shopping for her.
- 11 The flight takes **off/up** at 9:15, so we should be at the airport by 8:00 at the latest.
- 12 Make sure you keep away **from/for** coyotes and bobcats because they can be dangerous.
- 13 It's freezing! Please can we turn **up/to** the heat?
- 14 This milk smells awful! I think it has gone **over/off**.
- 15 I'm looking **for/up** my sunglasses – have you seen them?
- 16 Susie is really looking **up/forward** to starting her aqua aerobics classes.
- 17 I've lost the electrician's number. Please pass me the phone book so that I can look it **over/up**.

4. Fill in the correct word derived from the word in brackets.

- 1 There were over fifty in the wok racing competition. (COMPETE)
- 2 Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines is an volcano. It last erupted in 1991, but it could erupt again. (ACT)
- 3 There are many deer in the park. They aren't dangerous and usually run away when they hear people coming. (HARM)
- 4 cities, such as New York and Shanghai, could be flooded if sea levels rise. (COAST)
- 5 The hurricane caused a lot of damage in the area. (POWER)
- 6 We shouldn't ignore warming because it is going to affect everybody on Earth. (GLOBE)
- 7 The National Park has many paths that lead up into the hills. (ROCK)
- 8 New Zealand is famous for the beauty of its mountains, forests and plains. (NATURE)

5. Choose the correct item and write the letter of the answer.

- 1 If the temperature drops any further, the lake freeze.

A would

B will

C should

2 If I you, I would wear a helmet when you go mountain biking.

A had been B am C were

3 If you had listened to me, this happened.

A wouldn't have B hadn't C wouldn't

4 If you finish your homework before 7.00, we out for dinner.

A had gone B will go C would go

5 What would your parents say if you bungee jumping without asking them first?

A went B go C would go

6 Rebecca gets frightened when she thunder.

A heard B hears C had heard

7 If you up earlier, you would have seen a beautiful sunrise.

A wake B would wake C had woken

8 Unless you listen to the teacher, you the homework.

A understand B wouldn't have understood C won't understand

9 If Paul were here, he the first person in line to visit the caves. He loves geology.

A would be B is C will be

10 The accident wouldn't have happened if the rain so heavy.

A isn't B hadn't been C wouldn't have been

7. Choose the correct item.

1 Flights to Antarctica **leave/will leave** at 9:00 each morning.

2 Jason **will try/is going to try** river bugging one day.

3 I **am having/will have** a party on Saturday. Do you want to come?

4 Stand still! You **are going to slip/will slip** on that icy track!

5 I promise I **am going to be/'ll be** back before lunch.

6 At the research station, they **serve/will serve** breakfast at 8:00 and lunch at 1:00.

7 I believe global warming **is going to cause/will cause** sea levels to rise.

8 This mountain bike is really cheap. I **am going to buy/'ll buy** it!

8. Read the texts below and mark the sentences *T* (True), *F* (False) or *DS* (doesn't say).

- 1 Matt didn't notice the storm approaching.
- 2 He had never seen a tornado before.
- 3 The tornado crossed the whole football field.
- 4 No one at the match was seriously injured.
- 5 It was raining when Katie's family set out on their river trip.
- 6 Katie's brother didn't row the boat to safety.
- 7 Katie's mum checked the weather before leaving.

***Most of us complain about bad weather, but sometimes it can get more than a little hair-raising!
These people experienced some terrifying severe weather conditions ...***

Tornado on the football field

One Saturday last year, I was playing goalkeeper in our football team's last match of the season. If I hadn't been standing in the goal, I wouldn't have had such a perfect view of the heavy thunderclouds moving towards us! Soon, the first heavy raindrops were falling and by half time the referee had stopped the match as the lightning strikes were getting too close.

As we waited by the side of the field, we suddenly saw a small funnel forming at the bottom of the clouds. Before we knew what was happening, a tornado had touched down on our football field! Everyone started running in different directions in a panic. My dad and I ran into a nearby field and lay flat in a ditch, covering our heads with our hands. Football bags, chairs and wet clothes were flying everywhere. Then, suddenly the tornado melted back into the sky. "Quick, if we go now, we'll make it to the car!" my dad shouted. We were so relieved to find out later that everyone at the match was safe! What an adventure!

Matt, Minnesota, USA

Wild River Ride

One warm, sunny day at the end of last summer, our family hired a little rowing boat and went on a river trip through a canyon. After a lazy morning swimming, having water fights and relaxing on the river, suddenly we heard thunder rumbling in the distance and marble-sized hailstones and heavy rain started to sting our skin! Soon after, muddy water began to pour down the sides of the canyon and rush into the river. It was a flash flood! Before long, we weren't in control of the boat anymore as it raced down the river. Then, my brother's oar dropped into the water! "If I were you, I'd hold on very tight!" my dad told us. Down and down we raced, with the boat rocking dangerously from side to side. Then, just as soon as it had started, the rain stopped, the sun appeared and the river became calm again. With my dad's one oar, we somehow managed to row to the nearby end of our route. "If we ever do this again, we'll check the weather forecast before we leave!" my mum said, laughing.

Katie, British Colombia, Canada

*** What is global warming?

